

**Moses Ojeda**, *Principal*

**Adam H. Boxer**, *Assistant Principal*

## **Thomas A. Edison High School Student Behavioral Contract**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, am a student at Thomas Edison Career & Technical High School. I hereby agree to:

- I must arrive to school and to each of my classes on time.
- I must come to school prepared with materials and assigned work.
- I must be prepared in class with appropriate materials and assignments.
- I will show respect for myself, my peers, my teachers, the community and all other members of the Thomas A. Edison High School community at all times.
- I will respect all school property and report any damages.
- I will not publish/post any materials that can be inflammatory or inciting to other students/staff members.
- I will not cut any classes or leave the school building without permission.
- I will have my ID/program while in school and present it upon request.
- I will not bring any dangerous items to school.
- I will not fight, use force, intimidate, harass or bully any member of the Thomas A. Edison HS community.
- I will not bring a weapon of any kind or a facsimile of a weapon to school.
- I will not use profanity, vulgar language or gestures. I will not use racial, ethnic, religious, gender or sexual orientation slurs.
- I will not smoke or use tobacco products in the building
- I will not dress in a provocative manner that isn't conducive to the school environment.
- I will abide by the school's cell phone policy.
- I will utilize my guidance counselor or a dean as a mediator for settling conflicts peacefully.
- I will not cheat, steal or plagiarize.
- I will not bring to school, distribute at schools, or use in school any controlled substance including alcohol, drugs or drug paraphernalia.
- I understand that I will be given an opportunity to voice my concerns at an appropriate time if I do not agree with a request.
- Be peaceful by using a calm voice and walking quietly so others can learn.
- Take responsibility for my personal belongings.
- Dress appropriately by not wearing hats, or clothes which have any signs of gang affiliation (e.g. scarves, do-rags, bandanas, etc.).
- Refrain from using gang signs, calls, chants, movements and handshakes.
- Share information with school officials that might affect the health or safety of the school community.
- Keep my parents or guardian informed of school-related matters and make sure they receive ANY information sent home for them.
- Eat during designated periods and only in the lunch room.
- Follow all rules in the **Chancellor's Discipline Code**, a copy of which is enclosed with this contact.



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- If I do not honor this contract, I understand that I will have to face consequences including:
  - Conference with staff member
  - Agreement to a new behavior contract describing my future conduct
  - Phone call or meeting with a member of my family or my guardian
  - Additional counseling
  - Conflict resolution
  - Peer mediation
  - Removal from the class for up to five days
  - Principal’s Suspension for up to five days
  - Superintendent’s Suspension that may result in expulsion
  - Arrest (when crime is committed)

I have read and understand every point in this contract. I agree to follow this contract, and I understand that if I do not honor my commitments, I must face the consequences of my behavior.

Student’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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I am the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, a student at Thomas A. Edison Career & Technical High School. I have read and understand this contract. I understand that if my child breaks this contract, she/he may be disciplined in accordance with the **Citywide Discipline Code**.

I agree to help my child live up to his/her obligations under this contract by:

- Encouraging my child to be a respectful and peaceful member of the school community;
- Reviewing the enclosed **Discipline Code** and **Bill of Student Rights and Responsibilities** with my child;
- Participating in any discussion and decisions concerning my child’s education;
- Attending schedule appointments with school staff;
- Providing the school with current phone number/email and emergency contact information;
- Alerting the school if there are any significant changes in my child’s health or well-being that affects his/her ability to perform in school.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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**Thomas A. Edison Career & Technical Education High School**  
**Cell Phone & Electronic Device Policy**

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Effective March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 Thomas A. Edison Career & Technical Education High School will be following the new Chancellor’s Regulation A-413 which states that students may bring cell phones, laptops, tablets, iPads and other similar devices, portable music and entertainment systems, iPods, MP3 players, PSP and Nintendo DS devices to school.

As part of the new regulation, schools must create their own school based policy regarding the cell phone/electronic devices inside their own buildings.

**The Thomas A. Edison CTE High School based policy is:**

While inside the school building, all cell phones/electronic devices must be turned off and properly secured out of site and may not be used inside a classroom without prior authorization from the teacher and their supervisor. This includes PM school and Saturday tutoring.

The following rooms have been made available for students who would like to make parental contact:  
Rooms: G17, 103, 118, 136, 138, 234, 319

- All of the above devices may not be turned on or used during the administration of any quiz, test or examination or NYS Regents exam, except where an IEP or 504 allows.
- Students may not use their electronic devices in the hallways, staircases, bathrooms or locker rooms for any purposes.
- No cell phones or electronic devices may be used during any fire drills or emergency drills.
- No cell phones or electronic devices may be used in the locker rooms or bathrooms.
- No cell phones or electronic devices may be used during after school programs. This includes PM school or Saturday tutoring.

Students who use cell phones or other electronic devices (without approval) are subject to confiscation and/or gradual discipline in accordance with the guidance interventions and disciplinary responses set in the Discipline Code.

If an item is confiscated:

- Students will receive a receipt and a duplicate will go into their disciplinary file.
- For a student’s first confiscation, parents or legal guardians, with a receipt may pick up the device on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday from 10am – 1pm or at Saturday tutoring from 10am-11am.
- For any additional confiscations, dates and times will be provided at a later time for picking up devices.

**\*The school is not responsible for any lost or stolen cell phones or electronic devices.**

**\*Parents/Guardians who need to contact their children during the school day must call the main school number at 718-297-6580.**

If you have any questions or concerns or require clarification regarding out school policy, do not hesitate to email Mr. Adam Boxer, Assistant Principal at [aboxer2@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:aboxer2@schools.nyc.gov) or call 718-297-6580 ext. 1365.

**Thomas A. Edison Career & Technical Education High School – Please return to Room 136**

I have read the Thomas A. Edison Career & Technical Education High School Cell Phone & Electronic Device Policy. I understand that any violation of these policies by my child will result in confiscation of the phone or device. I understand the distribution of confiscated items calendar listed above.

Student’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Student’s Name

Parent/Guardian’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Parent/Guardian’s Name

Parent/Guardian’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_